MR. M. RAMIAH PILLAI: May I know what action was taken in the matter?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: The estimate has been prepared by the Sub-Division Officer, and submitted to the Executive Engineer who will shortly inspect the site and make his report.

Representation for opening a road from Valliad to Kottayam.

50. ❋**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representation from the people of Valliad, Olesha and other surrounding places, Kottayam taluk praying:

(i) that urgent steps be taken to allow a ferry boat at Puthen *todu* junction where the two rivers meet; and

(ii) to open a road from Valliad to Kottayam?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: Yes.

Statement by caste, of the Heads of Departments.

51. ❋**MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the present Heads of Departments?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: *The statement is placed on the table.

Bridge at Nalkalikal.

52. ❋**MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have accorded sanction to construct a bridge at Nalkalikal on the Aranmula-Pandalam road; and

(*b*) the steps taken by the Government in the matter?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The work will be taken up for execution as early as funds permit.

The Puliyoor-Mannar Road.

53. ❋**MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they or the Chief Engineer has considered the question of widening and improving the Puliyoor-Mannar road; and

(*b*) the steps taken by the Government or the department in the matter?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate for Rs. 6,720 has been prepared and is pending sanction for want of budget grant. Some portions of the road have been improved from the maintenance grant.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know why no provision was made in the budget for the expenditure of this small sum of Rs. 6,720?

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